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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.136, Appellants hereby petition that the period for filing an Appeal Brief pursuant to Appellants' Notice of Appeal mailed April 14, 2000 be extended for four months, to and including October 17, 2000, since October 14th falls on a Saturday.

Enclosed is a check for \$1,390.00 for the required fee. If there are any other charges, or any credits, please apply them to Deposit Account No. 03-2095.

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